

## MINUTES

### SENATE COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION

Thursday, May 13, 2021

9:00 AM

Capitol Extension, Room E1.012

\*\*\*\*\*

Pursuant to a notice posted in accordance with Senate Rule 11.10 and 11.18, a public hearing of the Senate Committee on Education was held on Thursday, May 13, 2021, in the Capitol Extension, Room E1.012, at Austin, Texas.

\*\*\*\*\*

**MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Senator Larry Taylor, Chair  
Senator Eddie Lucio, Jr., Vice Chair  
Senator Paul Bettencourt  
Senator Bob Hall  
Senator José Menéndez  
Senator Angela Paxton  
Senator Charles Perry  
Senator Beverly Powell  
Senator Charles Schwertner  
Senator Royce West

**MEMBERS ABSENT:**

Senator Bryan Hughes

\*\*\*\*\*

The chair called the meeting to order at 9:02 AM. A quorum not being present, the following business was transacted: The roll was called at 10:07 AM and a quorum was established. The following members arrived after the roll was called: Senator Schwertner.

The chair laid out SB 1083 and recognized the author, Senator Campbell, to explain the bill.

Witnesses testifying and registering on the bill are shown on the attached list.

The chair moved that the public testimony be closed; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Taylor moved that SB 1083 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out HB 1080 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Nelson, to explain the bill.

Witnesses testifying and registering on the bill are shown on the attached list.

The chair moved that the public testimony be closed; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Taylor moved that HB 1080 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out HB 189 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Lucio, Jr., to explain the bill.

Witnesses registering on the bill are shown on the attached list.

The chair moved that the public testimony be closed; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Taylor moved that HB 189 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out HB 159 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Lucio, Jr., to explain the bill.

Witnesses testifying and registering on the bill are shown on the attached list.

The chair moved that the public testimony be closed; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Taylor moved that HB 159 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out HB 2721 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Lucio, Jr., to explain the bill.

Witnesses testifying and registering on the bill are shown on the attached list.

The chair moved that the public testimony be closed; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Taylor moved that HB 2721 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out HB 1342 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Perry, to explain the bill.

Witnesses testifying and registering on the bill are shown on the attached list.

The chair moved that the public testimony be closed; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Taylor moved that HB 1342 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out HB 2120 and recognized the Senate sponsor, Senator Perry, to explain the bill.

Witnesses registering on the bill are shown on the attached list.

The chair moved that the public testimony be closed; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Taylor moved that HB 2120 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out HB 1133 and recognized Senator Bettencourt, in the absence of the Senate sponsor, to explain the bill.

Witnesses registering on the bill are shown on the attached list.

The chair moved that the public testimony be closed; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Taylor moved that HB 1133 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out HB 129 and recognized Senator Bettencourt, in the absence of the Senate sponsor, to explain the bill.

Witnesses testifying and registering on the bill are shown on the attached list.

The chair moved that the public testimony be closed; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Taylor moved that HB 129 be left pending; without objection, it was so ordered.

At 10:51 AM Senator Taylor moved that the Committee stand recessed subject to the call of the chair. Without objection, it was so ordered.

At 4:51 PM Senator Taylor reconvened the meeting.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business HB 159.

Senator Lucio, Jr. moved that HB 159 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 8 ayes, 2 nays, 0 present not voting, and 1 absent. Senator Hall submitted a motion in writing requesting to be shown voting aye on HB 159.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business HB 189.

Senator Lucio, Jr. moved that HB 189 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 10 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 1 absent. Senator Hall submitted a motion in writing requesting to be shown voting aye on HB 189.

Senator Bettencourt moved that the bill be recommended for placement on the Local & Uncontested Calendar; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business HB 1080.

Senator Perry moved that HB 1080 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 10 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 1 absent. Senator Hall submitted a motion in writing requesting to be shown voting aye on HB 1080.

Senator Bettencourt moved that the bill be recommended for placement on the Local & Uncontested Calendar; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business HB 1133.

Senator Bettencourt moved that HB 1133 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 10 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 1 absent. Senator Hall submitted a motion in writing requesting to be shown voting aye on HB 1133.

Senator Bettencourt moved that the bill be recommended for placement on the Local & Uncontested Calendar; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business HB 1342.

Senator Perry moved that HB 1342 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 10 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 1 absent. Senator Hall submitted a motion in writing requesting to be shown voting aye on HB 1342.

Senator Bettencourt moved that the bill be recommended for placement on the Local & Uncontested Calendar; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business HB 2721.

Senator Lucio, Jr. moved that HB 2721 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 10 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 1 absent. Senator Hall submitted a motion in writing requesting to be shown voting aye on HB 2721.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business SB 1083.

Senator Paxton moved that SB 1083 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 10 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 1 absent. Senator Hall submitted a motion in writing requesting to be shown voting aye on HB 1083.

Senator Bettencourt moved that the bill be recommended for placement on the Local & Uncontested Calendar; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business HB 690.

Senator Menéndez moved that HB 690 be reported favorably to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 10 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 1 absent. Senator Hall submitted a motion in writing requesting to be shown voting aye on HB 690.

Senator Bettencourt moved that the bill be recommended for placement on the Local & Uncontested Calendar; without objection, it was so ordered.

The chair laid out as a matter of pending business HB 1496.

Senator Lucio, Jr. sent up a committee substitute. Senator Lucio, Jr. moved the adoption of the committee substitute; without objection, it was so ordered.

Senator Lucio, Jr. moved that HB 1496 do not pass but that CSHB 1496 be reported back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed. The motion carried with a record vote of 10 ayes, 0 nays, 0 present not voting, and 1 absent. Senator Hall submitted a motion in writing requesting to be shown voting aye on HB 1496.

Senator Bettencourt moved that the bill be recommended for placement on the Local & Uncontested Calendar; without objection, it was so ordered.

There being no further business, at 4:59 PM Senator Taylor moved that the Committee stand recessed subject to the call of the chair. Without objection, it was so ordered.

---

Senator Larry Taylor, Chair

---

Bradley Hurt, Clerk